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Dear Mr. Schepens:

CONTRACT NO. DE-AC27-01RV14136 – REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR DECISION TO DEVIATION RECONCILIATION DATES FOR 24590-LAW-DTD-ENS-04-0001, REV. 0 AND 24590-LAW-DTD-ENS-04-0004, REV. 0

References: 1) CCN 098999, Letter, from J. P. Henschel, BNI, to R. J. Schepens, ORP, "Transmittal of Decision to Deviate from the Authorization Basis for the Hanford Tank Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (24590-LAW-DTD-ENS-04-0004, Revision 0)," dated November 9, 2004.

- 2) CCN 098998, Letter, from J. P. Henschel, BNI, to R. J. Schepens, ORP, "Transmittal for Approval: Authorization Basis Amendment Request 24590-WTP-SE-ENS-03-051, Revision 0, *Incorporation of Ammonia Storage Tanks at the BOF Facility*," dated October 29, 2004.
- 3) CCN 094059, Letter, from J. P. Henschel, BNI, to R. J. Schepens, ORP, "Transmittal of Decision to Deviate from the Authorization Basis for the Hanford Tank Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (24590-LAW-DTD-ENS-04-0001, Revision 0)," dated September 15, 2004.

Reference 2 submitted Authorization Basis Amendment Request (ABAR) 24590-WTP-SE-ENS-03-051, Revision 0, to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of River Protection, for approval. Bechtel National, Inc. (BNI) has been informed that approval may not occur before December 13, 2004, which is the reconciliation due date of the corresponding decisions to deviate (DTD) from the Authorization Basis (References 1 and 3). BNI procedures require reconciliation of a DTD, by an associated ABAR, within 60 days (plus extensions) of the approval of the DTD.

BNI, therefore, requests extensions of the approval due date for ABAR 24590-WTP-SE-ENS-03-051 from December 13, 2004, to January 31, 2005, to accommodate the additional time needed by DOE to process the reconciling ABAR.

This request has been discussed with Mr. Lew Miller of your staff.

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